



Docket No. THOLAM P167US

PATENT
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re: the PATENT Application of: Earl Alexander Culham

Serial No. : 09/988,689
Title : Method of Linking Web Pages
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Examiner : Kyle R. Stork

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Kyle:

The following is a complete list of the claims annotated with their status and, where necessary, their markup. My remarks follow the revised claims.

CLAIMS

1-69. (cancelled)

70. (currently amended) A method of linking web pages, comprising the steps of:
associating at least one supplementary link with a primary *its* anchoring web page,
each such supplementary link including those features of the anchor which identify the
target of a hypertext link while also excluding those ~~lacks the features of the anchor which~~
~~make a regular~~ hypertext link visible in the output rendering of its anchoring web page,
thus a supplementary link is normally hidden from view and does not disrupt the flow of
text or graphics displayed on the its anchoring web page;
providing information processing means by which the at least one supplementary
link is may be transformed into a ~~regular~~ hypertext link.

71. (currently amended) The method as defined in claim 70, at least one supplementary
link being stored in a datastructure that is separate from the ~~primary *its* anchoring~~ web
page.

72. (currently amended) The method as defined in claim 71, the datastructure being
associated with the ~~primary *its* anchoring~~ web page.

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